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TAGS: PFOR AF. CH

SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON AFGHAN COUP
IN INFORMAL CONVERSATION

COMMENTED THAT, ALTHOUGH HE HAD VERY LITTLE
INFO ON AFGHAN COUP, REPORTS IN IRANIAN PRESS DID NOT SEEM
GOOD. DID NOT HAVE "GOOD KNOWLEDGE" OF DAUD. AS OF

HAD NOT RECOGNIZED NEW REGIME AND
WOULD WAIT AND SEE WHAT ACTIONS DAUD WOULD TAKE.
HE DOUBTED THERE WOULD BE TROUBLE WITH PAKISTAN OR IRAN, FOR
IT WOULD TAKE SOME TIME FOR DAUD TO ORGANIZE HIS GOVERNMENT
AND CONSOLIDATE HIS POWER. REGIME WOULD PROBABLY NOT WISH
TO TAKE ON OTHER PROBLEMS. HOWEVER, AFGHANISTAN WAS "VERY
STRATEGIC COUNTRY", PARTICULARLY FOR PAKISTAN AND IRAN, AND
NEIGHBORING STATES SHOULD BE VERY CAREFUL IN THEIR POLICIES
TOWARD NEW REGIME.

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